Claims

- 1. A preparation for stimulating or enhancing an immune system comprising one or more agents that stimulate T-lymphocytes in vivo.
- 2. A preparation according to claim 1, wherein the one or more agents that stimulate T-lymphocytes *in vivo* comprise chlorogenic acid and/or one or more functional analogs thereof.
- 3. A preparation according to claim 2, wherein said functional analog is selected from the group of chlorogenic acid, 4-caffeoylquinic acid, 5-caffeoylquinic acid and 1,5-dicaffeoylquinic acid, an isochlorogenic acid, 3,4,5 tricaffeoyl quinic acid, 1-O-caffeoylquinic acid, 1,3-O-caffeoylquinic acid, 1,3,4,5-O-tetracaffeoylquinic acid or 5-O-caffeoylshikimic acid.
- 4. A preparation according to claim 1, wherein said agent is a compound represented by formula 1,

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wherein "a" represents either a single bond or a double bond, and R₁ is only present in case "a" represents a single bond, and wherein at least one of the functional groups R₁-R₄ represents a single bond, and wherein at least one of the functional groups R₁-R₄ represents a functional group represented by formula 2

(Formula 1)

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and the remaining of said functional groups R₁-R₄ are independently chosen from the group formed by -OH and caffeic acid analogs abundant in a material of a vegetable nature.

5. A preparation according to claim 2, wherein said chlorogenic acid and/or a functional analog thereof originates from one or more plants.

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- 6. A preparation according to claim 5, wherein the extracts have been taken from the group of *Echinacea sp., Panax Ginseng*, green coffee bean, green cacao bean, hawthorn, green tea, elder tree, artichoke, guerana, butterbur, Phoenix spp, *Butia capitata*, Dandelion, a dicotylus *Compositae* or orhter dicotylus, *Arnica montana*, Birch tree or combinations thereof.
- 7. A preparation according to claim 1, further comprising one or more agents capable of inducing the production of interferon-gamma.
- 8. A preparation according to claim 7, wherein said one or more agents are chosen from the group formed by N-acetylcysteine, polysaccharides and zinc.
- A preparation according to claim 1, comprising one or more arabinogalactans from
 Baptisa tinctoria, Echinacea species, Larix occidentalis, Angelica acutiloba and/or other polysaccharides from Echinacea species, Thuja occidentalis, Panax ginseng, Flammulina velupites, Arnica montana, Plantago spp, Achyrocline satureioides, Aconitum officinalis, Angelica acutiloba, Aristolochia officinalis, Astralagus gummerifa, A. membranaceus, A. mongholicus, Avena sativa, Bambusa vulgaris, Baptisia tinctoria, Bryonia dioica,
 Calendula officinalis, Carthamus tinctorius, Chamomilla recutita, Echinacea angustifolia, E. pallida, E. purpurea, Eleutherococcus senticosus, Eupatorium cannabinum, Silene vulgaris, Triticum sativum, Vincetoxicum officinalis, Viscum album.

10. A preparation according to claim 1 comprising one or more additives selected from the group of a ginsenoside, a beta glucan, an antioxidant, a trace element, lipoic acid, L-carnitine, a mineral, a vitamin, an immuno-stimulant, an anti-tumor agent and Astragalus membranaceus extract.

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- 11. A preparation according to claim 10, wherein the antioxidant is chosen from the group of ascorbic acid, α -tocopherol, or a combination thereof.
- 12. A preparation according to claim 10, wherein the trace element is chosen from the group of manganese ions, copper ions, selenium ions, selenium compounds or a combination thereof.
 - 13. A preparation according to claim 1 comprising: 10-200 mg chlorogenic acid and/or functional analogs thereof, 50-2000 mg N-acetylcystein, 200-2000 mg *Echinacea premium*, 0.2-150 mg ginsenosides, 2-200 mg beta glucans, 10-1000 mg ascorbic acid, 1-1000 mg α-tocopherol, 1-200 mg zinc, 0.1-20 mg copper, 0.005-0.3 mg selenium, 1-100 mg lipoic acid, 10-2000 mg L-carnitine, and/or *Astragalus membranaceus* extract of 200-20,000 mg dry material.
- 20 14. A preparation according to claim 1 in the form of a capsule, a tablet, a lozenge, a powder, an agglomerate, a paste, a solution, a liquid, a gel, an emulsion, a suspension, a bar, a drink, a pudding, an ice cream, or a sauce.
- 15. A preparation comprising chlorogenic acid and/or a functional analog thereof further comprising N-acetylcystein, for medical use.
 - 16. A preparation according to claim 1 in a pharmaceutical, drink or food product.
- 17. A preparation according to claim 1 for use in treatment and/or prophylaxis of cancer, infection by a parasite, a toxin, a virus, and/or a bacterium.

- 18. A preparation according to claim 17 for use in treatment and/or prophylaxis of an infection by an infectant selected from the group of Pox-viridae, Herpes-viridae, Adenoviridae, Papavoviridae, Hepadnaviridae, Parvoviridae, Reo-viridae, Picorna-viridae, Toga-viridae, Flavi-viridae, Corona-viridae, Rhabdo-viridae, Paramyxo-viridae, Orthomixo-viridae, Filo-viridae, Bunya-viridae, Arena-viridae, Calici-viridae, Retroviridae, Papilloma, influenza, HIV, HTLV, Corona, Eppstein Barr, pneumococcen, staphylococcus aureaus and/or combinations thereof.
- 19. A method for stimulating T-lymphocytes by administration of a preparation according to claim 1.
 - 20. A method according to claim 19, wherein the method is part of a prophylactic or treatment protocol for cancer.
- 15 21. The use of a preparation according to claim 1 for the manufacture of a product for stimulating T-lymphocytes.
 - 22. A vaccine comprising chlorogenic acid or a functional analog thereof as adjuvant.
- 20 23. The use of chlorogenic acid or a functional analog thereof as an adjuvant in a vaccine.